

REMARKS

Claims 1-27 are pending in the subject application. In the outstanding Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following groups of claims: group I (claims 1-13) directed to a method and group II (claims 13-27) directed to an article.

Applicant respectfully points out that claim 14 is also directed to an article and thus it is believed that there is a typographical error in the above grouping and that group II includes claims 14-27.

Accordingly, Applicant elects, with traverse, group I claims 1-13 directed to a method. The election is made with traverse because it is respectfully asserted that all claims are properly presentable in a single application. In particular, search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden to the Examiner. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the requirement for restriction. Prompt and favorable consideration of the subject application is also respectfully requested.

A call to the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below would be appreciated should the Examiner have any questions.

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